

REMARKS

Claim 1 is allowed. By this Amendment, Claims 2-7 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. No new matter is presented.

Upon review of the Substitute Specification filed with the December 29, 2003 Amendment, Applicants note unintentional typographical errors regarding symbols were presented in the Substitute Specification. The Substitute Specification has been amended herein to correct the typographical errors. Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments do not present an issue requiring further consideration on the part of the Examiner and that no new matter is presented.

Applicants respectfully acknowledge the indication by the Examiner that Claim 1 is allowed and that the application is in condition for allowance, with the exception of cancelling Claims 2-7. As noted above, Claims 2-7 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. In view of the foregoing, the prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowability is respectfully solicited.

Should the Examiner believe anything further is desirable in order to place this application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension, together with any additional fees that may be due with respect to this paper, may be charged to counsel's Deposit Account No. 01-2300, **referencing docket number 107439-00043.**

Respectfully submitted,

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